

House Resolution No.

Whereas, it is with heavy hearts that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to honor the significant achievements of a life gone by, that of George Arthur Hayes, who passed to his eternal reward on March 15, 2004; and

Whereas, George Hayes came into this world on November 20, 1923, as the fifth of twelve children born to proud and loving parents Willie and Elizabeth McGee Hayes, who welcomed him into their hearts as a precious gift from God; and

Whereas, George Hayes was educated in the Lexington, Mississippi, public schools, and moved to the City of St. Louis in 1942; and

Whereas, George Hayes was baptized on February 17, 1946, and became an active member of Pleasant Green Missionary Baptist Church under the pastorate of Dr. G.H. Pruitt; and

Whereas, George Hayes provided a safe and secure future for his loved ones as a Chief Cook with the Missouri Pacific Railroad and stellar employee of General Motors for approximately thirty-three years; and

Whereas, George Hayes was a dedicated family man who greatly enjoyed traveling to different places, none of which filled his heart with the love and joy he felt each time he returned to the place of his heritage in Tchula, Mississippi; and

Whereas, preceded in death by his parents, his three brothers, Willie Hayes, Jr., John Wesley Hayes, and Franklin D. Hayes, and his sister, Addie Smith, George Hayes leaves behind to cherish his memory his son and daughter-in-law, Gary M. and Delores Hayes; his daughters, Patti N. Hayes and Stacy Bourne; his two grandchildren, Tiffany Aldridge and Jenna Hayes, his two great-grandchildren; his three sisters and brothers-in-law, Erma and Jesse Russell, Christine and Theodore Drane, and Jeanie and Arzel Smith; his four brothers and sisters-in-law, Percy J. and Bertha Hayes, Jessie and Ethel Hayes, Rhodolphis and Hilda Hayes, and James and Murl Hayes; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, unanimously join in paying final tribute to George Hayes, a remarkable gentleman of peace and kindness in this world who will be sadly missed by all those who had the distinct pleasure of knowing and loving him; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for the widow of the late George Arthur Hayes, as an expression of our deepest sympathy.

Offered by _____
Representative Connie L. Johnson
District No. 61

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. ____, adopted _____, 2004.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker